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Two New Presentations Added to the OHC Training Webinar Archives:

- Original Air Date: November 03, 2015 Webinar: The Pre-Purchase
 Homeownership Counseling Demonstration and Impact Evaluation. HUD's
 Office of Policy Development & Research presented a webinar on the PrePurchase Homeownership Counseling Demonstration and Impact Evaluation.
 Dr. Marina L. Myhre, Social Science Analyst, Program Evaluation Division,
 PD&R, discussed the process in developing and conducting this
 demonstration project. Audio Replay Number (800) 475-6701, Access Code:
 371438. View the Presentation.
- Original Air Date: December 08, 2015 Webinar: Preparing the Form SF-425. Designed for Intermediaries, SHFAs, and MSOs, this training provided detailed instructions on how to complete the Federal Financial Report (FFR) also known as the Standard Form 425 (SF-425) including common errors and best practices. Audio Replay Number: (800) 475-6701, Access Code: 371994. View the Presentation.

All of the HUD Office of Housing Counseling's (OHC) webinars are posted in archival form on the <u>Training Webinar Archive</u>. There is no registration or fee required to view the archives.

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New Training Updates for Housing Counselors:

- 1. HUD OHC Webinar Training for Housing Counselors: Visit the HUD Office of Housing Counseling (OHC) Training Calendar on-line. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. All OHC webinars can be attended free of charge. View System Requirements. All OHC webinars will be archived in the OHC Webinar Archive. Please direct questions to: housing.counseling@hud.gov.
 - December 15, 2015 Webinar: How to change your agency information in HCS. OHC frequently receives questions from HUD approved housing counseling agencies about changing their contact and services information in the HCS system and on HUD's website. This training will show you how to revise your agency profile in HCS and change your

- agency's listing online. HUD will also cover how to reset your HCS password. Register on-line.
- HUD Exchange: HUD has launched an online curriculum, including video, dynamic presentations and self-paced training modules, designed to help HUD partners understand Federal financial requirements. The HUD Exchange Training and Events website also has many other courses and training opportunities of interest to housing counselors, non-profit and local government agencies. To access HUD Exchange you must first create an account. This document contains step by step instructions for creating an account on the HUD Exchange website. Once you have created an account, you will be able to access different HUD Exchange components. Visit HUD Exchange to learn more and register for training opportunities.
 - HUD Exchange Financial Management Curriculum: Completing the financial management curriculum will assist grantees and subrecipients to comply with federal grant requirements, increase effectiveness, and maximize efficiency. The first course, Financial Management 101, provides an introduction to key topics and financial management basics. View on-line.
- 2. NeighborWorks® Training Opportunities: Visit NeighborWorks® Training Website to see their on-line course catalog and register for training opportunities.
 - Upcoming eClassroom Express Webinar Trainings: Whether you're preparing for the pending HUD Housing Counseling Certification Examination or launching a new program or service, these minute webinar training courses are convenient and cost-friendly. Visit the NeighborWorks® eClassroom Express page for more information or to register for these upcoming courses:
 - December 15, 2015 Financial Management: Building Competency in Housing Counseling
 - Regional Training Events with Courses in Financial Capability, Housing Education and Counseling:
 - January 25-29, 2016 Albuquerque, New Mexico Tuition and lodging scholarships to this NeighborWorks® Placed-based Training (PBT) event are available for eligible applicants. The scholarship application deadline is Monday, November 30, 2015. Visit the event page for eligibility rules and course information.

- NeighborWorks® Training Institutes (NTI). Registration, class schedules, scholarships, and other information can be found <u>on-line</u>. There's Still Time to Register for the Washington, D.C. NeighborWorks Training Institute:
 - o February 22-26, 2106 Atlanta, GA. Register on-line.
 - o May 02-06, 2016 Los Angeles, CA
 - o August 08-12, 2016 Detroit, MI
- New NeighborWorks® Course Focuses on Service Members and Veterans: The latest addition to NeighborWorks® self-paced <u>eLearning</u> course offerings is "<u>Housing Counseling Services for Military Members and Veterans</u>." Housing professionals, this is an opportunity to increase your knowledge of programs and services developed to meet the unique needs of our nations service members-past and present. Read the full <u>course description</u> online. NeighborWorks® eLearning courses take approximately 2-4 hours to complete and are available for 60 days following registration. Register <u>on-line</u> today to learn about:
 - Common challenges
 - Work status and documentation for housing programs and benefits
 - o Eligibility requirements for the VA Home Loan Program
 - National programs and legal protections for service members
- **3. NCRC National Training Academy for Housing Counselors:** For more information, please contact Nsonye Anarado at: (202) 524-4883 or nanarado@ncrc.org or visit NCRC's National Training Academy on-line.
 - January 11-15, 2016 Houston, TX. NCRC National Training Academy Presents Housing Counseling Training. Housing counselors and professional staff affiliated with HUD Approved Housing Counseling Agencies are invited to attend live housing counseling training courses. Courses include:
 - January 11-15, 2016 HC113: Preparing Housing Counselors for the HUD Certification Exam: This course will provide housing counseling practitioners with test-taking tools and strategies in preparation for the HUD competency certification examination. Register on-line.
 - January 11-13, 2016 HC111: Providing Housing Counseling To Homeowners Transitioning Into Rental Housing: This 3 day course will address the components of effective rental counseling, including the rental process, tenant and landlord rights, budget/credit counseling, conducting a needs analysis, written action plans and development of a comprehensive resource directory. Register on-line.

- January 11-13, 2016 HC104: Financial Literacy, Part II: This 3 day course is designed to help participants better manage their financial resources and track their daily spending habits while identifying tools that will help them become better money managers. The course will focus on financial planning, the home buying process and small business management. Register on-line.
- January 14-15, 2016 Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing: In this 2 day training, housing counselors and housing professionals will learn about the "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing" (AFFH) requirements and regulations that spell out the fair housing obligations of federal fund recipients. Register on-line.
- Save the date for NCRC's upcoming Training Series at the following locations:
 - o March 16 -19, 2016 Washington, DC
 - o May 2016 Cleveland, OH
- **4. NCLR Homeownership Network Learning Alliance (NHNLA) Training for Housing Counselors:** For more information, please contact Cynthia Parra at: (602) 507-6208 or nhnla@nclr.org.
 - Live Webinar Training Daily at Noon-2:00pm Eastern time:
 - December 15, 2015 Advanced Client Management using CMAX: Register on-line.
 - o December 16, 2015 Cultural Sensitivity: Register on-line.
 - eLearning Training via Virtual Classroom:
 - o December 01-22, 2015 Pre-Purchase II: Register on-line.
 - December 01-22, 2015 Housing Counseling Competency, HUD Housing Counselor Certification Prep Course: Register on-line.
 - January 04-25, 2016 Housing Counseling Competency: HUD Housing Counselor Certification Prep Course (Spanish): Register on-line.
 - o January 04-25, 2016 Financial Counseling II: Register on-line.
- **7. FHA Servicing & Loss Mitigation Live Training:** This live classroom training is for HUD-approved mortgagees, HUD approved housing counseling agencies, and nonprofit housing providers. For-profit entities are not permitted to attend this training. This training includes: HUD Handbook 4330.1 REV-5, Chapter 7, delinquencies, defaults, mortgage collection activities and HUD's Loss Mitigation Waterfall Program, extension of time requests and variances and Single Family Default Monitoring System. No fee. Space is limited to 45 participants;

Registration is first come, first served. For more information please email: eclass@hud.gov, Register on-line. Training dates in Oklahoma City, OK include:

- March 08-09, 2016
- June 14-15, 2016
- August 23-24, 2016

Upcoming FHA Free Servicing & Loss Mitigation Webinars. Register on-line:

- December 16, 2015 Webinar VI: HUD Extension of Time and Variance Request System (EVARS) Training
- **8. Making Home Affordable (MHA):** These webinars are designed specifically for housing counselors and other trusted advisors. Register on-line:
 - December 15, 2015 Streamline HAMP for Trusted Advisors
- **9. Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) Training for Housing Counselors:** Marketing 101: <u>YouTube</u> video training for non-profit agencies on how to market the services your agency offers. VHDA has posted many more informative training videos for non-profit agencies and consumers; please visit their <u>YouTube Channel</u> to view all their current training offerings.
- **10. OCC Financial Literacy Update:** The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)'s Financial Literacy Update is a bimonthly e-newsletter that reports financial literacy events, initiatives, and related resources of the OCC and other government agencies and organizations. Financial Literacy Update provides brief descriptions and Web links for events and training. Housing Counselors can visit the Financial Literacy Update on-line.
- **11. HOPE NOW Military Housing Podcast:** The HOPE NOW Military Housing Podcast is an entertaining and educational series of conversations focused on military off-base housing. Sponsored by HopeNow and Clearpoint Financial Solutions. No fee. Listen to the Podcasts on-line.

HUD-OHC Listserv Bulk subscriptions:

Some housing counselors have asked, "How do I sign up my entire agency staff for HUD Office of Housing Counseling (HUD-OHC) listserv updates?" It is easy... Just list your staff email addresses like this:

aaa@xyz.com bbb@xyz.com ccc@xyz.com You can send in one email address or your entire agency. Then <u>Email your list</u> to HUD-OHC. If you have a housing counseling industry friend who you want to subscribe to this listserv, there are 2 other ways to sign up: Send them this <u>link</u> or forward them this email.

Some Helpful Links for Housing Counselors:

- Email Technical Support for Housing Counselors
- HUD Housing Counseling Webpage
- The Bridge Housing Counseling Newsletter Archive
- Housing Counseling Listserv Archive
- OHC Webinar Archive
- Events & Training Calendar
- Contracting Opportunities
- Employment Opportunities
- Grant Opportunities
- Disaster Recovery Resources
- Foreclosure Assistance
- Making Home Affordable
- FHA Resource Center
- Index of HUD Listserv Mailing Lists

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Thank you!!!!